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Colonel Matthew Baird Director of Training

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Special Assistant, Office of Communications

Request for Series of Lectures on the Middle East

25X1	1. This will confirm conversations of 25 and 26 March with
25X1	of your Office concerning a series of lectures on the Middle East for the benefit of several individuals from the Office of Communications who are about to be transferred to serve on my
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25¥1	countries eastwards to and including I expect to relieve the Chief, early this susser.

- 2. It is my intent that these lectures familiarize these officials with the history, peoples, religions, problems and United States policies in the area inasmuch as they will be responsible for communications activities throughout the Middle East and will be required to travel frequently to many to the countries.
- 3. Inasmuch as some of the officers who desire to attend these lectures will have left or will be processing for departure before your regularly-scheduled Middle East series beginning the 13th of May, it would be much appreciated if a special series of lectures could be conducted during the week of 22 April 1957. After discussions with it appears that lectures of approximately an hour and one-half each morning from 1000 hours to approximately 1130 hours would be satisfactory.

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